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**IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND
HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH**

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CRM-M-41408-2025 (O&M)

Date of decision: 27.10.2025

Heera Singh @ Hira Singh**...Petitioner****Versus****State of Punjab****...Respondent****CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA**

Present:- Mr. Hakikat Singh Grewal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Roshandeep Singh, AAG, Punjab.

MANISHA BATRA, J. (Oral)

1. This petition has been filed by the petitioner under Section 483 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 seeking regular bail in case bearing FIR No. 180 dated 16.07.2023, registered under Sections 307, 34 and 120-B of IPC and Section 25 of the Arms Act, 1959 at Police Station Jandiala, District Amritsar.

2. The aforementioned FIR was registered on the basis of the statement recorded by complainant Harjit Singh alleging that on 13.07.2023, he along with his friends Amritpal Singh, Sandeep Singh and Gurpreet Singh @ Gopi had gone to Delhi in a vehicle bearing registration number PB-02-AJ-5200 as Amritpal Singh had to give his IELTS examination on the next day. On the night of 14.07.2023, they had come back from Delhi and reached their village at about 10:00 PM. When the complainant was alighting from the vehicle along with his friends, suddenly, two youths reached there on a

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motorbike. They were muffled faced and they started firing shots with some firearms towards the complainant and his friends with an intent to kill them. His friends Gurpreet Singh and Amritpal Singh sustained firearms injuries. The bullets also hit their car. Even one passerby Pappu also sustained a firearm injury. On clamour being raised by them, the assailants fled away with their weapons. The injured were rushed to hospital. After registration of FIR, investigation proceedings were initiated. On 12.09.2023, accused Harpreet Singh @ Happy was arrested in FIR No. 243 of 2023. During interrogation, he suffered a disclosure statement admitting his involvement in this case by saying that the petitioner had introduced him with the co-accused Amri and Sam, who were gangsters and he had joined their gang. On 13.07.2023, gangsters Amri and Sam had called himself and the petitioner and had directed them to do recce of Harjeet Singh and Gurpreet Singh and to disclose their locations and on 14.07.2023, after doing recce, they had given information about the location of Harjeet Singh and Gurpreet Singh and then accused Amri and Sam with muffled faces had come on a motorcycle and had fired shots on Harjeet Singh and Gurpreet Singh with an intent to kill them. Accused Harpreet Singh @ Happy as well as the petitioner was nominated in this case. The petitioner was arrested on 26.09.2023. He too suffered disclosure statement admitting his involvement in the crime. Investigation now stands completed.

3. It is argued by learned counsel for the petitioner that he has been falsely implicated in this case on the basis of the disclosure statement allegedly suffered by co-accused Harpreet Singh @ Happy, which cannot be

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considered to be admissible in evidence. No specific overt act or injury has been attributed to him. The persons, who had fired shots on the complainant/victims, were muffled faces. He was not named in the FIR. The role attributed to him is allegedly doing recce and giving information about the locations of the victims to co-accused. He has clean antecedents. He is in custody since 26.09.2023. Trial will take considerable time to conclude. His further incarceration would not serve any useful purpose. It is, therefore, urged that he deserves to be released on bail.

4. *Per contra*, it is argued by learned State counsel that there are serious and specific allegations against the petitioner, who was involved in doing recce of victims Gurpreet Singh and Harjeet Singh for accused Amri and Sam and it was with their connivance with the petitioner that the accused Amri and Sam had fired upon Harjeet Singh and Gurpreet Singh after getting information from the petitioner and co-accused Harpreet Singh @ Happy. The victims had sustained firearm injuries, which were dangerous to life. There are chances of his absconding or committing similar offences or intimidating the witnesses, if released on bail. Hence, it is urged that the petition is liable to be dismissed.

5. This Court has heard the rival submissions made by both the sides.

6. The petitioner along with the co-accused is alleged to have hatched a conspiracy to make an attempt to kill the victims Gurpreet Singh and Harjeet Singh and in pursuance of that conspiracy, the petitioner had allegedly done recce of Harjeet Singh and Gurpreet Singh on the night of

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14.07.2023 and it was on the basis of information supplied by him and co-accused Harpreet Singh @ Happy that shots were fired at victims Gurpreet Singh and Amritpal Singh and they along with one Pappu had sustained injuries. The petitioner is, however, in custody since 26.09.2023. No injury is attributed to him. The trial will take considerable time to conclude as only one prosecution witness has been examined so far. The involvement of the petitioner in other cases cannot be considered to be a ground for denying him the benefit of bail. The victims are living a normal life without any medical abnormality as submitted by learned State counsel. The injured Amritpal Singh had not even got himself medically examined. Keeping in view the above discussed facts, this Court is of the considered opinion that the petitioner has made out a case for his release on bail. Accordingly, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail, subject to his furnishing personal/surety bonds to the satisfaction of the trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

7. It is made clear that any observation made herein above is only for the purpose of deciding the present petition and the same shall have no bearing on the merits of the case.

27.10.2025

Waseem Ansari

(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether reportable

Yes/No